

Calendar of Events

Wednesday, January 24

6:30 a.m. Women's Prayer Group-Kathi Lee's
 3:30-5:30 3rd, 5th & 6th Grade Bible Study
 5:45-6:15 Fellowship Meal-Fellowship Hall
 6:15-7:30 Kids Clubs-2nd Floor
 6:15-7:45 Jr. High S.W.A.T.-Basement
 6:15-7:30 "Daniel" Bible Study-Room 113
 7:15-8:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal-Choir Rm

Thursday, January 25

7:30-9:30 Adult Basketball Fellowship

Friday, January 26

11:30-1:00 Noon Women's Bible Study-Rm 113

Friday-Saturday, January 26-27

Women's Retreat - Ceta Canyon

Sunday, January 28

8:30 a.m. Worship Service-Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Worship Services

Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall

3:00-4:30 "Daniel" Bible Study-Room 222

4:00-6:00 Acolyte Training & Pizza Party

5:00 p.m. Adult Council Meeting-Room 113

6:00-7:00 Prayer Room Open for Prayer Time

6:00-8:00 8th-12th Grade C.P.R. Class

Monday, January 29

5:00 p.m. Palo Duro Village Bible Study

5:30 p.m. "In His Hands" Board Meeting-113

6:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting-Rm 105

6:30 p.m. Visitation

6:30 p.m. "Christian Believer" Study-Rm 222

Tuesday, January 30

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Group-Room 123

6:30 p.m. Knitting Ministry-Parlor

7:30 p.m. Adult Basketball Fellowship

Wednesday, January 31

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UMW News

Sunday, January 28 UMW Sunday

12:15 p.m. UMW Luncheon-Parlor

Sunday-Tuesday, January 28-30

UMW Legislative Event - Austin



The church office still has copies of Dr. Dudley Moore's book about his life. Stop by the office and pick one up for a donation of \$20. Make your checks to WTAMU Foundation.



Concerns For This WEEK

Recently Ill and/or in the hospital: Charlie Parks, Anne Hubley, Fakar, Jean Waugh, Hazel Sunderman, Kelly Nusser, Brett Cummings, Bonnie Barrett, Evan Riley's friend's dad, Johnnie Weldert, Ken Metzger, Jim Bruce,

Dorothy Rowland's friend Joyce, Jeffrey Kelley, Darla Rice's dad, Chuck Opbeteke, Bette Jalufka, Justin Richardson
In Christian Sympathy:

Darin & Brooke Barnes on the death of Darin's grandmother

Lisa Robinson on the death of her grandmother

Gary Barnes on the death of his aunt

Michael & Regina Wopperer on the death of Michael's mother

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Justin Richardson, Anne Hubley, Will Moore, Fakar, Brynn McPherson, Shelly Cathey, Kathi Tijerina, Beth Sanchez, Kelli Tillman-Marr, Richard and Noreen Bales, Cathy Adkins, Sam White, Danny Knoll, Adrian Marsh, Alan Rodner (Rachel Hedglin's dad), Jim Davis (Nancy Biffle's brother)

Glenda Abernethy, Andy Anderson (mother of Jane King), Randy Banks (Barbara Tucek's nephew), Rion Broome, Ricky Cook, Libby Ford, Oran Gipson, Milt Hudson, Janet Ingham, Hope Irlbeck, Kim Johnston, Brenda Lindsey, Melanie McKinney, Suzanne Rogers, Kathryn Snodgrass, Sybil Stringer, Linda Tinsley, Barbara Wagner (Bob Dillin's daughter), Jean Waugh, Louise Williams

Additional Intercessory Prayers

President Bush and our country's leaders, Westover Fellowship United Methodist Church, China Mission Team, Costa Rica Team, Backyard Missions, Pete & Vikki Klein, War-torn Countries, Carson Gerber in Iraq

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND

Ceta Canyon

Friday-Sunday, February 9-11

Registration from 5-6 p.m. on Feb. 9

Weekend ends at 1 p.m. Feb. 11

Contact is Dr. Wylie E. "Buff" Hearn,

Kingswood Church, 358-7095

amarillopotter@sbcglobal.net

Cost per couple is \$75, partial or full scholarships available

For information, call or go online to

www.marriageenrichment.org

Adult Council Meeting

Sunday, January 28

5:00 p.m. in Room 113

Very important Meeting - all

are invited!!!!!!

It's Not Too

Late!!!!!!

Be Still My Soul

A quiet retreat for women

Friday, January 26 - Saturday,

January 27

Ceta Canyon Methodist Camp

Nancy Biffle and Francie Pittman will lead us in spending time together and time alone with our God

Registration begins at 5:00 p.m. Friday
 Retreat begins at 6:00 p.m. with supper
 Retreat ends at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday

Bring bedding, towel, Bible, jacket, and your favorite drink container.

Water/coffee available.



Registration fee—\$50

(add \$5 if you'd like Ceta to provide linens)

Limited scholarships available (contact Francie)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

E-mail address _____

Return with fee to church office

Make checks payable to Canyon FUMC

marked "Women's Retreat"

CareNet Volunteer

Training

6709 Woodward

Friday, Feb 23 and Friday, Mar 2
 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, Feb 24 and Saturday,
 Mar 3 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Both weekends are required.
 Cost is \$20.00, scholarships are available. To register or for further information, please call Janet Weeks at 354-2288.



The News

from FUMC, Canyon

Building God's Kingdom One Word At A Time

January 24, 2007

First United Methodist Church
 1818 4th Avenue
 Canyon, Texas 79015
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THE NEWS-The official newsletter of the
 First United Methodist Church, Canyon

First United Methodist Church Canyon, Texas 655-2851
 e-mail: fumc@firstchurchcanyon.com web-site: firstchurchcanyon.com

GOOD NEWS!

First United Methodist Church, Canyon has paid 100% of 2006 Family Funds (apportionments).

That's the email that we received from our District Superintendent Rev. Todd Dyess.

Some of you may wonder what that means. The best way I can explain it is that through our gifts we are **helping and supporting people we do not even know.** We have helped students attend McMurry University through the Texas United Methodist College Association, students at our Wesley Foundations across the conference, supported ministries of our two Northwest Texas Camps (Butman and Ceta), funded scholarships for students at Lydia Patterson Institute in El Paso, donated needed funds to the ministries of Wesley Community Center in Amarillo, given committed college students a chance at a better life through the Black College Fund and Africa University, supported the communication ministry of the United Methodist Church through Igniting Ministry, provided ministry opportunities through the Northwest Texas Conference Hispanic Ministry, and much much more. Mentally walk down any street anywhere in the world and visualize the faces. All of these people are probably benefitting from your gifts. The good news of Jesus Christ is reaching the world through your generosity.

Church Staff

Senior Pastor.....Rev. Clark Williams
 Associate Pastor.....Rev. Donna Johnston
 Lay Associate.....Kendall Meek
 Worship Leader.....Michael Littau
 Diaconal Minister.....Francie Pittman
 Director Youth Ministries.....
 Director Children's Ministries.....Lee Ann Love
 Church Secretary.....Cindy Burrus
 Children's Administrative Assistant....Megan Walker
 Assistant Secretary.....Dana Melcher
 Financial Secretary.....Lisa Dietz
 Youth Administrative Assistant.....Lorelle Richey
 Financial Assistant.....Christi Ybarra
 Music Director.....George Biffle
 Organist.....Margaret Skinner
 Church Librarian.....Michell Killingsworth
 Custodian.....Bill Fetter
 IHHChild Development Director....Brenda Shepherd

United Methodist Women To Be Celebrated This Sunday, January 28

The United Methodist Women of our congregation will be leading us in worship this Sunday at both the 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. worship services. Donna Echols from Roswell, New Mexico will bring the message and the UMW will serve as worship leaders for the services.

Our United Methodist Women are very involved in the mission of the church as they encourage their members to study topics that affect our world, study the Bible and be in mission throughout the world. You will remember that they were a vital part of our Angel Tree ministry this year, individual circles supported projects benefitting the Wesley Community Center, the Wesley Foundation and other local ministries in addition to their giving to missions locally, nationally and around the world.

This past year our United Methodist Women raised and distributed \$9,700 for missions. Here is the breakdown of where this money was sent:

Local Missions

Ceta Canyon	\$1,200.00
NWTC Pensions	200.00
Opportunity School	500.00
Wesley Foundation	400.00
In His Hands	400.00
Total	\$2,700.00

National Missions

Four Corners	350.00
Kings Manor	350.00
Lydia Patterson	500.00
McCurdy School	350.00
Wesley Comm Center	800.00
Bishops' Appeal/Katrina	800.00
Volunteers In Mission	500.00
Sager Brown Generators	500.00
Total	\$4,150.00




International Missions

Robyn Wilbur	350.00
Kenya Drought & Famine	500.00
Refugee Street Girls	500.00
For AIDS Orphans	500.00
Haiti School Lunch	500.00
Kindu Orphanage	500.00
Total	\$2,850.00

Grand Total \$9,700.00

2007 Church Directory

The 2007 Church Directories with green covers are now available on the tables in the hallway. If you notice any errors in your information, please call Cindy in the church office 655-2851.

<p>First United Methodist Church Building God's Kingdom One Life At A Time Service Times 8:30 a.m. in Sanctuary 10:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary 10:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Sunday Preaching Schedule Traditional Services in Sanctuary Donna Echols Contemporary Service in Fellowship Hall Kendall Meek</p> 
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CHANGES

By now you may have heard that Dendy and I have requested a new ministry assignment. In all likelihood we will be moving in June. Bishop Whitfield has asked us not to disclose the place where we'll be going just yet, but I want you to know it's a place of our choosing, a place where I can maximize my impact for the Kingdom, and a place about which our family is very excited.

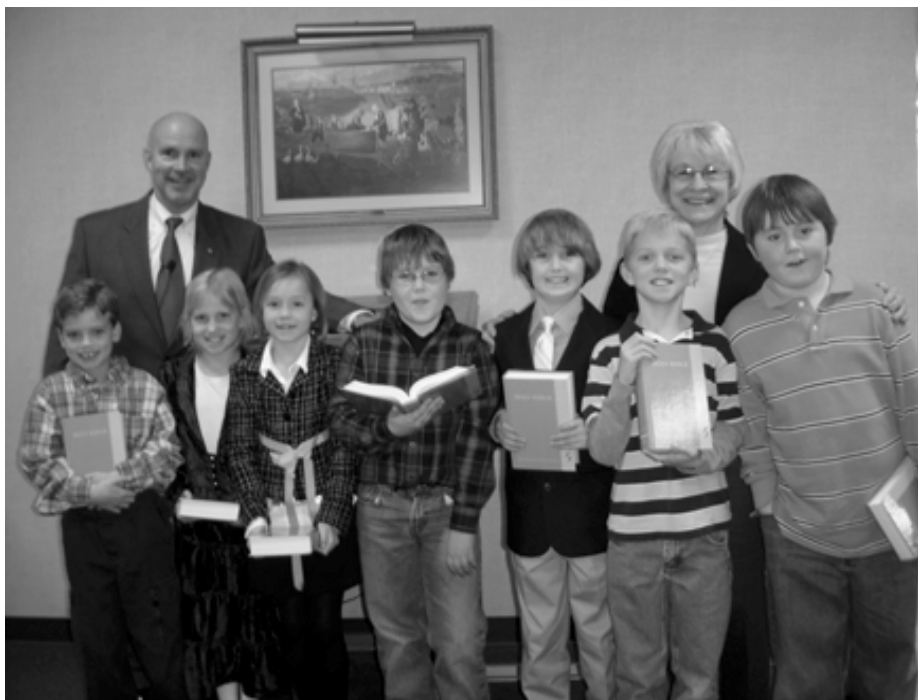
I discovered a long time ago that the hardest thing about ministry in the United Methodist Church is "moving." Every time we leave a place it's extremely difficult, no matter how excited we feel about the new place. We love you and we will miss you incredibly.

It will be a while before we know who the new pastor at Canyon will be. The cabinet (the bishop and all the superintendents) will begin working on appointments in early March, so we probably won't have any news about the new pastor until then. The Staff-Parish Relations Committee will work closely with the District Superintendent and Bishop Whitfield to bring in the very best person.

We've got a few months before we say goodbye, so I won't get into that now, but let me just say thank you for the opportunity to serve you these seven years. For all of us, by God's grace, the best is yet to come.

*Building....Touching
Clark*

Did you know?



Third Graders Receive Their Bibles

This third grade class is the first class to receive their New Revised Standard Version published with children in mind. There are study helps, verses to memorize, explanations of who God is and how God wants us to live, and insights into where and what was going on when the Bible was written on almost every page. The staff has started calling this Bible "The Children's Study Bible" because that is the kind of help they are getting in every way. The lessons I have taught for the last 18 years that I have had to print on cards, bookmarks or sheets of paper are now printed right in the Bible for these children to use as they "learn how to use their Bibles".

Francie Pittman

*Journey Cruise Lines Presents
Daddy Daughter Dinner Dance
February 17, 2007
First United Methodist Church
Fellowship Hall
Serving from 6 - 6:45 p.m.
Dancing until 9:00 p.m.*

*Dads and Daughters are invited to
board our Dance Ship for a Night of
Fun*

*Purchase your tickets from the
Journey Class members or in the
church office*

Junior High S.W.A.T.

You will never be the same
**Wednesdays from
6:15 - 7:30 p.m.**

Junior High is doing 4 week series called
James: A Holy Examination
& Prescription!!!

Senior High UNDERGROUND

**Sunday nights from
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

**Character and Purity Within
Relationships at (C.P.R.) is starting
Sun. Jan. 28th with food at 6:00 p.m.
All 8th graders-12th graders are welcome!!!!**

**HIGH SCHOOL ANGELFIRE SKI TRIP
Feb. 23-25 Cost: \$250-\$275
Sign up in the basement**



Children Leading in Worship
January 28
8:30
Sierra Ybarra and Miranda Goss
10:45
Blake Hartman and Chris Cornelius

Faithweaver

*Bible Point: Jesus came for all people.
Key Verse: "For the Son of Man came
to seek and save what was lost." Luke
19:10.*

A NOTE FROM LEE ANN NO Church!

It seemed strange to me not to be in church on Sunday morning. I really missed it! I know many of you are thinking - She is there all week long, surely she enjoyed a day off. Yes, the morning off was nice - but I missed the fellowship of my church family. I truly enjoy teaching the 2nd graders, they give me a fresh view of God in my life. Also, I enjoy visiting with everyone about the past week and what they have planned for the next. Sharing in corporate prayer for our loved ones is a favorite time for me. I hope everyone will return to church this Sunday with a new expectation of what God has to say to us.

*Serving an Awesome God,
Lee Ann*

Calendar

Kid's Kingdom Spring 2007 Calendar has been mailed. If you did not receive yours, please contact Lee Ann or pick up in the office. The copier was having issues - so if you got a bad copy, please pick up another one.

UPCOMING DATES

Kids Kingdom Calendars will be mailed this week. Please check with Lee Ann or Megan if you do not get one.

Jan. 28	2:00-4:00 Club 56 Polar Bear Swim @ WTAMU
Jan. 28	4:00-6:00 4th Grade Acolyte training
Feb. 4	Acolyte Recognition 10:45
Feb 17	Daddy Daughter Dinner Dance

Reminder!!

Don't Throw Away That Empty Cartridge!
Kids Kingdom is still fund-raising with the help of an inkjet recycling company Empties4Cash. We just received a check for \$236.01. We will use this money to help with the Children's Ministries. Thanks to everyone for your help.

HE
(care) for you
**In Touch With
Pastoral Care
New Pastoral Care Team**

As life moves on there are often times that God makes clear a need that must be met. This is the situation from the illness of Dudley Moore. As the time passed, the family was tired and needed some assistance in sitting with Dudley. This need was filled by willing volunteers, but it started me thinking that we need a team of people willing to help out when families need a break for a few hours.

So a new team is in the building phase. This will be a group of people willing to sit with someone in the hospital or the home while the usual caregivers take care of things they must do. If you believe this is a ministry you would be interested in, please notify me.

May God bless you as you seek His will. Please pray for all the Pastoral Care Ministries.

Donna Johnston, Associate Pastor

Volunteer for Hospice Care

Monday, February 5; Tuesday, February 6; and Wednesday, February 7
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Six hours of training are required; plan to attend all three sessions. If you want to visit patients, an additional 2 hours of observation with a nurse or social worker will be scheduled.

Hospice Care of the Southwest, 1310 S. Coulter, Suite 404
For more information or to RSVP, call 356-0026.